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36. (New) Use of the copolymer of claim 17, in an amount of from 0.01 to 10% by weight, based on the weight of the mineral binder.

REMARKS

An early and favorable response is earnestly solicited.

No fee is believed to be due, however, should a fee become due the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any fee associated with this filing from Deposit Account No. 500624.

Respectfully submitted,

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